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## Community Manager Walter A. Simon Leaves Greenbelt to Join Air Force

Community Manager Walter A. Simon is leaving Greenbelt after nearly two years of administration to enter military service with the Air Force.

Alex W. Johnson, his replacement, has already arrived here and will take over the managership on Simon's departure within the next two weeks.

## Senator Humphrey to Speak at GCS Meeting

Senator Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota will be speaker of the evening at a public meeting to be held by Greenbelt Consumer Services in Takoma Park this Tuesday evening, May 8. The Senator will speak on "Cooperatives, the Community, and the World." Widely regarded on Capitol Hill, Senator Humphrey is a well-known speaker of ability. Coming from one of the foremost centers of Cooperative activity in this country, he is well informed on the Co-op movement.

The new manager comes here from the Detroit field office of PHA where he was assistant director of management. Previously he was the community manager of Greenhills, Ohio, and has held various public housing positions. He has been with PHA and the agencies preceding it for the past ten years.

His wife and son expect to join him shortly and make their home in Greenbelt.

## JCC Will Celebrate Israel Independence

The Jewish Community Center announces that it has planned a huge celebration on Sunday, May 13, in honor of the third anniversary of the independence of the State of Israel, to be held in the auditorium of the Center School at 8:30 p.m. Among the events scheduled are the Massing of the Colors by the Greenbelt National Guard, music by our own Greenbelt Band, and several numbers by the Drum Majorettes. A feature attraction of the evening will be a number of Israeli dances by Batya Heller and her Dance Troupe, who are well known in the District for their presentations at the Jewish Community Center of Washington and other communities in the area. A prominent official of the Embassy of Israel will be the main speaker of the evening. Rabbi Morris A. Sandhaus will preside at the celebration.



Brief statements will also be made by GCS president, Walter J. Bierwagen and general manager, Samuel F. Ashelman. Milton Kramer, new GCS board member from Takoma Park, will be introduced. The meeting will take place at 8 p.m. in the assembly hall of Grace Methodist Church, New Hampshire and Kentland Avenues. All interested Greenbelters, as well as Takoma Park residents, are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. GCS management reports that rapid progress is being made on the construction of the Takoma Co-op Supermarket and super Drug Store in the Kass Shopping Center on New Hampshire Avenue.

## St. Hugh's Has Annual Bazaar Tuesday, May 15

A doll booth, a flower booth and a fancy goods booth which includes puppets will be among the features of St. Hugh's annual bazaar, to be held from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m., Tuesday, May 15, in St. Hugh's parish hall. There will also be bingo and a white elephant booth.

In addition to the outing promised the class at the school selling the most chances on the Columbian bicycle, there will be an individual prize for the child selling the most tickets.

Children are especially welcome, and for them there will be special movies, darts, balloons and a shooting gallery. Refreshments will be served at a special booth, and everyone is welcome.

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## Lutherans Break Ground At Church Site Sunday

Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. ground-breaking ceremonies will be conducted by Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow on the Greenbelt Lutheran church site between 20 and 24 courts on Ridge Road.

The Greenbelt congregation was started by Pastor Pieplow seven years ago as a mission to the Mt. Rainier church. During this time the group has grown from a meeting held in a Greenbelt home to the home economics room in the Center school.

About two years ago the congregation was incorporated and elected the following officers: Lyman Henderson, president; Edward Trumbule, vice president; Robert F. Schlesinger, secretary; and Clarence Berg, treasurer.

At present the worship services are being conducted by Col. Chaplin Martin Poch of the Army Air Force, but about June 15 the congregation will be assigned a Vicar to work full time in this area.

Construction work will be begun immediately by William E. Simmons, contractor. Paul Kea, of Hyattsville, is the architect.

A cordial welcome is extended to the Greenbelt citizenry to take part in these ceremonies.

## Women Voters to Have Annual Meeting May 5

The annual membership meeting of the League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County will be held on Saturday, May 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Maryland Room on the University of Maryland campus.

Mrs. Malvina Lindsey, columnist of the Washington Post, will speak on "The Power of Public Opinion."

Election of officers for the coming year will be held, and citations for the outstanding committee and the outstanding individual for the year will be presented.

Proposed changes in the by-laws will be voted upon, as well as the County Program for the League, which is as follows:

Continued study of local government with the objective of obtaining home rule. This will include study of the basic principles of county government in preparation for action on the survey recommendations, with special emphasis on: 1. Types of government; 2. Education; 3. Health; 4. Welfare; 5. Merit system; 6. Budget practices.

Child care arrangements for this meeting have been made with the University Nursery School for children between the ages of 2½ to 3 years. A fee of \$1.00 will be charged for this service. Please contact Mrs. Harry Schroeder, AP-1610 1645.

## Bake Sale Planned For Band and Majorettes

The Greenbelt Community Band and Majorettes will have a Bake Sale on Saturday morning from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in front of the Greenbelt Theater.

The Band and Majorettes are in the midst of preparations for the Annual Lions Club Competition to be held May 25. This, in addition to the many usual summer performances presented by the Band and Majorettes, will call for extra funds. It is hoped that the proceeds from this Bake Sale will be sufficient to cover expenses until the annual Carnival is presented in July.

The Lions Club Competition will be held in the evening this year, and parents and friends of the Band and Majorettes will be invited. See BAKE SALE page 3

## GCS Hires New Theatre Manager, Renews Price Checking Committee

By Doris A. Mednick

The question of reconsidering the appointment of Jack Fruchtman as theater manager was brought up by Henry Walter at the board of directors' meeting of Greenbelt Consumers Services last Friday evening. He was questioned as to the purpose of the recall since Fruchtman had been voted to that position by a 4 in favor, 3 voters abstaining and 2 against. Walter felt that since the matter was an important one the three non-voting members should

assume the responsibility of making their desires known. On the new vote taken Friday night, Eleanor Ritchie and Cal Winegard voted against the appointment, Martin Bickford abstained from voting and the other six members of the board voted in favor of Fruchtman's appointment.

### Price-checking Committee

Morris Solomon, writer of the Dollars and Sense column, asked the board that the price-checking committee be reactivated for which he would help to see that the best sampling methods available would be used. The board voted in favor of such a committee with the stipulations that Solomon was to give an item-for-item listing, that he would be chairman of this committee, and that he was to report to the board, but to management first in the event of great price disparities in order to make adjustments. This committee will function in the food store only, and over a 12-week period Mr. Solomon hopes to check 1,000 items.

### Membership Education Assistant

The matter of hiring a promotion assistant to carry on membership education work has been under discussion at several meetings, but was re-opened again by Eleanor Ritchie who challenged the matter of management proceeding to hire such a person when the position had been approved only "in principle." On the basis of the board voting to create such a job on the staff, management was instructed to present the board with a job description.

At Friday night's meeting, Martin Bickford felt that rather than incorporate all the various duties into the job as set up by management, only two of them should be encompassed by the position: (1) to follow up on home calls to new residents through home meetings and individually; get people interested in joining the co-op and in serving as advisory groups; (2) supply staff time to reactivate consumer advisory groups.

Mrs. Opie Stage was aghast at the impudence of the Board to direct management in the areas of membership education. It was pointed out by another board member that "that's what we're here for."

The board voted once again 6 to 3 in favor of the motion "to approve in principle the hiring of an education assistant" and that the job would consist of the two duties requested by Bickford to be written into the minutes of the meeting.

### Discount Idea Defeated

In the general manager's report to the board it was stated that due to illegalities in the practice of granting discounts on the purchase of appliances, as well as the inability of GCS to stand behind merchandise sold through a discount house, it was felt that there were too many dangers accompanying such deals. But if the board felt that public relations would be improved perhaps such a deal could be made. The board voted down such an idea by a 6 to 3 vote.

### ST. HUGH'S SODALITY

The St. Hugh's Sodality will meet on May 9 at the St. Hugh's Church. Lucille Herrick, president of the Washington Sodality Union, will be guest speaker. Election of officers will follow the talk.

## Child Struck by Car Escapes Serious Injury

Susan Creech, 11 years old, narrowly escaped serious injury Saturday afternoon, when she was struck by a car on Southway Road. She was taken immediately to the Leland Memorial Hospital by the Greenbelt Volunteer Rescue Squad. Examination and X-rays disclosed no broken bones and she was released from the hospital Tuesday evening.

The accident occurred, according to witnesses, when Susan darted from the hedges lining the road, into the path of the car, driven by Mrs. Ida Bingham, 1-E Westway. Mrs. Bingham has been charged with reckless driving by the police department.

In a statement to the Cooperator, Mrs. Creech, 18-L Ridge, condemned the high hedges near the road and the permitting of cars to be parked in the area in which the accident occurred.

## Youth Center to Have Fashion Show, Dance

The fashion show and dance being sponsored by the Advisory Board of the Youth Center on Wednesday, May 9 at 8:30 p.m. at the Center School promises to be a gala affair. Styles by Jelleff's will feature clothes for sports, including swimming fashions, casual clothes, prom and graduation gowns and bridal clothes.

Mrs. Louis Lu Shine will provide incidental music for the models and commentary by Miss Sue Boteler.

Decorations designed and created by the young men and women of the Drop-Inn will feature the latest in women's hats.

Dancing will follow the fashion show with music by Phil Loria's orchestra and refreshments will be sold in the Social Room.

Tickets may be procured in advance from any member of the Advisory Board or the Drop-Inn or from Miss DiVecchi or Sam Fox of the Recreation Department. Proceeds are to be used for improving the interior of the Drop-Inn, new drapes and paint, and to swell the fund for a new Youth Center building in the future.

## Rummage Sale Planned By JCC For May 8, 9

Sally Brandon, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the Jewish Community Center, announces the holding of a rummage sale on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 8 and 9, in the entrance to the swimming pool. Many items will be available at remarkably reduced prices. Residents of Greenbelt and the surrounding area are invited to visit the swimming pool and pick up a real bargain. Mrs. Brandon asks that all housewives who are doing their annual housecleaning and getting ready to dispose of items which their children have outgrown, or which they no longer need but which can still be useful

See JCC page 3



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## Reflect

It may be well to reflect upon the functions of the Board of Directors of Greenbelt Consumer Services in view of the remarks made by a board member at the last board meeting; that for the board to disagree with management's proposals and make its own recommendations was tantamount to heresy.

Actually, it would be complete betrayal of cooperative principles and the cooperative philosophy if the board did not constitute itself management's critic, examiner, appraiser and policy maker. It is because of these functions ascribed to a board of directors that a cooperative exemplifies economic democracy for its members—an element not found in any other business enterprise, but inherent in a successful co-op.

Management is an instrument of the membership; the board of directors, elected by the membership, is also an instrument of the membership to carry out policies in keeping with membership's needs and desires and those compatible with the best in cooperative enterprise. It is this very element of individual responsibility that each board director assumes which insures a democratic organization.

For a board director to feel that the board's job is not "to reason why, ours is but to do or die"—the explanation must be either naivety or ignorance.

It may be well for the present board, since it is only five meetings old, to outline its responsibilities and functions in the light of cooperative principles.

## Letters To The Editor

### VARIETY STORE?

To the Editor:

In the last year or so the Variety Store has made a lot of progress. It is a very pleasant store to walk into and the variety of merchandise and quality has greatly improved.

However, why is it that whenever I go in to purchase anything, be it thread, zippers, buttons, measuring cups, and even an item advertised in the last special sale bulletin, they are all out of these items, sometimes haven't even had them?

Surely this situation can be improved upon, too!

Or are the powers that be too busy in Takoma Park to take care of the simple needs of Greenbelt consumers???

Lillian Schwimer.

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## Notes and Notices

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Hans Jorgensen, 19-E Hillside, an agricultural aide on vegetable research of the Department of Agriculture, gave a talk on the fundamentals of gardening to the children of St. Hugh's, the North End and Center schools on Tuesday afternoon, May 1, at St. Hugh's auditorium. Kodachrome slides through the courtesy of the Dept. of Agriculture were also shown. The originator of the slides is R. E. Wester.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Sieman, and family, 10-G Southway, left yesterday for a ten-day stay in Uniontown, Pa., visiting their families.

Robert White, age 6, 14-Z-3 Hillside, had his tonsils removed on Tuesday, April 24, at Leland Memorial.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Schweitzer and son, Marc, 4-Q Gardenway, are enjoying a week's visit from Mrs. Schweitzer's mother, Mrs. Fay Goldstein, and her brother, Alfred, of Bronx, N. Y.

Mrs. Justin Klem, 2-Q Laurel Hill, had a surprise visit Sunday from a cousin whom she hadn't seen in twenty years, James Wilcox, of San Antonio, Texas, who had come to Washington on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Van Camp, 3-E Crescent, announce the birth of their eighth child, Elizabeth Marie, on Tuesday, April 24, at Leland Memorial, weighing 8 lbs. 2 ozs. The Van Camps now have four sons and four daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Guy Catton, Jr., 19-F Parkway, announce the birth of their first child, Thomas Guy the 3rd, on Friday, April 27, at Leland Memorial, weighing 7 lbs. 1½ ozs. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Catton, Sr., 56-K Crescent.

Patricia Smith, age 6, and Steven, age 4, 5-L Gardenway, had their tonsils removed on Friday, April 27, at Leland Memorial.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Compton, 5-B Crescent, announce the birth of a daughter, Joan Marie, on Thursday, April 26, at Prince Georges Hospital, weighing 7 lbs. 5½ ozs. They also have a son Arnold.

Carol Ann, daughter of Dolores Juliano Frazier, was christened Sunday. Her godparents were Dr. and Mrs. E. Ingel of Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hampton of 29-A Ridge Road, will attend a luncheon in Baltimore at the Sheraton-Belvedere Hotel, as guests of Victory luncheon for the Cancer Society Fund.

Dr. Hans Wodak has returned from a month's vacation and visits to his three brothers and a brother-in-law. He made the trip by plane, going first to Australia and returning by way of China, India and Europe.

Sgt. Blake Palmer and Pvt. Richard Palmer, sons of Mrs. Lydalu Palmer, 1-D Eastway, are at home on furlough. Blake gets home fairly often from Camp Lejeune, but this is the first time Dick has been home since entering the service last September. Dick is an instructor in the Army Finance School which has been located in St. Louis, Missouri, but is now moving to Camp Benjamin Harrison, at Indianapolis, Indiana. Blake will be in town seven days and Dick will be here for twelve days.

Mrs. Annie Halley, 62-B Crescent Road, Matron of Birmingham Chapter No. 26 of the Order of Eastern Star, was a Grand Page at the Grand Chapter Session of the Order of Eastern Star held in Baltimore April 22 to 25. Mrs. Myrtle Dupree and Mrs. Bessie Featherby, also of Greenbelt, attended the Sessions with Mrs. Halley.

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Telephone 4987

Sunday, May 6 - Sunday School at 8:45 and 9:45 a.m. Classes for all ages. Worship service at 11. Holy Communion Service; baptism of infants and reception of new members. Special music by the choir.

Monday, May 7 - The regular monthly meeting of the WSCS will be held at the Church. Covered dish supper at 6:30 p.m. Election of officers for the coming conference year.

Monday, May 14 - The adjourned Fourth Quarterly Conference and Official Board meeting will reconvene at 8:30 p.m.

## ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor  
Greenbelt 5911

Saturday: Masses, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Nursery conducted during the 11 a.m. Mass for small children, in order that their parents may attend Mass. This Sunday is Sodality Sunday, with members of the Sodality receiving Holy Communion together at the 7:30 Mass.

Wednesday: Novena services, 8 p.m.

Friday, May 4. First Friday of the month, with Holy Communion distributed before and during the 7 a.m. Mass.

Sunday, May 13: Children of the parish will receive their first Holy Communion at the 8:30 Mass.

## Roy S. Braden

Roy S. Braden, 62, pioneer in county management and the first manager of Greenbelt, died Monday night at Richland, Washington, after a short illness due to cerebral hemorrhage.



Five months before Greenbelt opened in 1937, Mr. Braden was conferring with the Resettlement Administration on plans for the new project's social health. Six years later, when the Town Council finally accepted his resignation, Braden field and all the associated recreational developments of our city remained to commemorate more solidly than monuments his achievements.

Mr. Braden was the nation's first county manager when, in 1930, he took over Arlington. After his term with Greenbelt he served as manager of High Point, N. C., Hopewell, Va., Raleigh, N. C., and temporarily, of Falls Church, Va. His last position was with the Atomic Energy Commission.

He will be buried in Arlington Cemetery on Monday, after funeral services at 2 o'clock at the Ft. Myer Chapel, from the Ives Funeral Home, 2847 Blvd., Arlington.

Surviving are his widow and his mother-in-law, Mrs. P. E. Pence of Washington.

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Services are held in the home economics room of the Center School.

Thursday, May 3 - Choir meets for rehearsal at the home of Mrs. Holien, 2-F Plateau Place, 8 p.m.

Friday, May 4 - Lydia Guild meets at the home of Mrs. Gladys Day, 11922 Centerhill St., Silver Spring, at 8 p.m. All those wishing transportation be at the bank corner at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 6 - Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 9:45 a.m. Regular church services 11 a.m. Ground breaking services at our Building site, 24 Court of Ridge Road, 4 p.m. All are cordially invited.

Tuesday, May 8 - Junior Confirmation Class at the Robert's home, 37-B Ridge Road, 4 p.m.

## COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

### Ministers:

Edward H. Bonsall, Jr.

Eric T. Braund

Church phone 7931

Saturday, May 5 - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Landscaping Bee at the Church.

Sunday, May 6 - Beginning of National Family week. Church School at 8:45, 9:50 and 11 a.m. Church Worship at 8:45 and 11 a.m. Evening Church Worship at 8 p.m. The Sacrament of Holy Communion and Baptism will be given at the evening service and new members will be received in the church fellowship. 2 p.m., Church School teachers will leave for Conference at Rock Springs Church, North Arlington. Cars will leave from the church. Theme: "Pattern for Home-Church Cooperation." 6 p.m., Angelus Hour. 8 p.m., First Sunday Evening Service of Communion.

Monday, May 7 - 8 p.m., Trustees meet, Church Study.

Wednesday, May 9 - 1:30 p.m., Annual Conference, Middle Atlantic Congregational Christian Churches, at Westmoreland Circle Church, D. C.

Thursday, May 10 - 9:30 a.m., Middle Atlantic Conference continued. 12:45 noon, Laymen's luncheon.

## HEBREW SERVICES

Greenbelt 4493

Morris A. Sandhaus, Rabbi

Friday, May 4 - Services will be held in the Social Room of the Center School at 8:30 p.m. Candle-lighting: 7:45 p.m. Portion of the Week - "Acharai". Special Blessing will be said for the New Moon and for the New Month. Reading from the Prophets: Samuel: 1:20. Sermon Topic - Introduction to Sinai.

## Community Church Summer Camps

The dates for Junior High boys and girls to go to Camp Hope, New Jersey, are June 23 through June 30. This includes all seventh and eighth graders. Ninth graders may be eligible by special arrangement. The limit is six from the church. First come, first served. Total cost, including transportation, registration, board and room is \$29.50.

Camp Hope is near the Delaware Water Gap, beautifully situated. The colonial village of Hope was founded in the 17th century by the Moravians.

Senior High boys and girls dates for Camp Blair are July 2 through July 8. Blairstown, New Jersey, is seven miles from Camp Hope. Total cost per person including registration, travel, board and room is \$32.00. Work scholarships of \$9.00 each are available; also some conference aid. Registrations may now be made. Call the church for information. Persons interested in helping boys and girls go to camp may contribute to the Community Church Scholarship Fund.

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### North End PTA Holds Final Meeting of Year

The North End School P.T.A. will hold the last meeting of the year on Tuesday, May 8 at 8:15 in the school auditorium. There will be the election and installation of officers and the President's report. Mrs. Betsy Woodman's Glee Club, sponsored by the Recreation Department, will entertain the meeting with songs they have learned this year. Refreshments will be served by the room mothers.

**BAKE SALE** from page 1 ed to attend. Admission will be by free ticket.

The following members of the Ways and Means Committee will be glad to call for your donation to the Bake Sale if you will notify one of them: Mrs. John Kramer (7066); Mrs. William Moore (5127); Mrs. LeRoy Neikich (3087) and Mr. Edward M. Halley (3016).

**JCC from page 1** to other people, contact her and she will arrange to have them picked up and disposed of at the rummage sale. Her phone is 4263. Proceeds of the sale will go to the general fund of the Jewish Community Center.

### Cancer Drive Underway, Volunteer Workers Busy

Mrs. Ralph Neumann, chairman of the 1951 drive for funds to help in the crusade against cancer, reports that volunteer workers are busy in Greenbelt with someone assigned each Block of the City. Assisting Block captains wherever needed are the Senior Girl Scouts of the community as well as many women from various organizations in the city. Mrs. Neumann asks that anyone who has not been contacted and wishes to make a donation to either call her or get in touch with one of the following: Mrs. Lawrence Fern, "A" Block; Mrs. Edgar Weber or Mrs. William S. Isaacs, "B" Block; Mrs. Frank Kriby, "C" Block; Mrs. George Davidsen, "D" Block; Mrs. Raymond R. Haver, "E" Block; Mrs. Pete Labukas, Parkway Road; Mrs. E. Leland Love, Parkbelt and Woodland Way; Mrs. Arthur Ailstock, Mrs. Lloyd L. Clay, Mrs. William M. Higgins, Mrs. John S. Reaves, 54-56 Ridge and Plateau Place; Mrs. J. Belogh and Mrs. Edward P. Sefcik, Research Road; Mrs. James E. Brown, Upper Ridge and Mrs. J. S. Ard, Laurel Hill Road.

The American Cancer Society urges that the public educate themselves as to the symptoms of cancer and the value of frequent examinations leading to the discovery of the disease which can then be promptly treated. The best cure for cancer still is early discovery and prompt treatment. Much is being done in the way of research as well as in professional education through a program designed to keep family doctors well-informed of latest developments and techniques in diagnosing and treating cancer. Clinics for well persons are provided where free examinations are given. Anyone interested in an appointment for examination should contact the Maryland Division of the American Cancer Society, 306 N. Charles St., Baltimore 1, Maryland, telephone LEExington 4002. Locally Mrs. Neumann at 5512, 6-D Parkway will answer inquiries or receive donations.

### Day Care Center Will Start Summer Program

The Greenbelt Child Care Center has a summer program for school age children. Full use of the Greenbelt recreation department will be made.

Trained supervisors will direct the activities which include swimming (use of Greenbelt's pool), arts and crafts, organized games, and free play.

A well-balanced noon-day meal, as well as morning and afternoon snacks will be provided. The Center will open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For further information call Greenbelt 5856 during the day or Mrs. Pluto, Greenbelt 5409 in the evening.

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### Co-op Commentary

A live monkey in the center this week amused the children. The idea was to promote the picture "Bedtime for Bonzo" being shown at the Greenbelt Theatre tonight and Friday.

Among other plans for theatre improvement being made by Jack Fruchtman, the new theatre manager, is a change of feature for Saturday evenings. This will permit showing pictures with greatest appeal to children during the day on Saturday. Then a top feature can be shown Saturday evening and Sunday.

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Eastern Cooperatives, Inc. re-organization is proceeding on schedule according to board member Sam Ashelman who attended an ECI board meeting in New York last weekend. The new officers of ECI include Bob Smith, manager of New Haven Co-op, president; Sam Ashelman, GCS manager, vice president. David Scull of Rochdale of Virginia is the other board member from this area.

ECI officers and board members, like the GCS directors, serve without pay and contribute their own time for weekend meetings.

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GCS employees are now buying stock in the Co-op at the rate of \$275 per week thru payroll deductions, according to Bob Morrow, GCS controller.

Additional share capital can be used to good advantage by the cooperative at this time and employees and members are being encouraged to purchase additional stock, and also to tell their friends about this investment opportunity.

### Nite Softball League Opens May 8, 7:30 p.m.

The biggest game of the year will open the Recreation Nite Softball League with Arcade-Pontiac playing Thrifty. The second game will be Nelson Studebakers against Annadale. The first game will start at 7:30 p.m. You will see the two best pitchers in this area, Abe Levitan and Freddy Kramer. There will be a double-header every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday starting at 7:30 p.m. You will see the best teams in the D. C. area play and no doubt the winner of the Greenbelt League will represent Washington in the World's Championship. The schedule for the first round is as follows:

May 8 - Thrifty vs Arcade Pontiac; Nelson Studes vs Annadale.  
May 12 - Mt. Rainier vs ERO; Thrifty vs Nelson Studes.  
May 17 - Thrifty vs Mt. Rainier; Nelson Studes vs UMW.  
May 22 - Thrifty vs ERO; Arcade Pontiac vs Mt. Rainier.  
May 10 - Arcade Pontiac vs Annadale; Mt. Rainier vs UMW.  
May 15 - Thrifty vs Annadale.  
May 19 - Nelson Studes vs Mt. Rainier; ERO vs UMW.  
May 24 - Arcade Pontiac vs Nelson Studes; Annadale vs UMW.

May 3, 1951

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### Call For Price Checkers Made

The chairman of the newly activated Price Checking Committee of GCS, Morris J. Solomon, called upon interested Greenbelt residents to join the Price Checking Committee.

"The Management of the GCS Supermarket is committed to prices as low as, or lower than, the lowest price competition. To achieve this requires a detailed knowledge of what prices are being charged elsewhere. The Price Checking Committee will report to the Board of Directors and Management on the prices prevailing in the lowest priced supermarket in the area and how they compare with GCS prices. The Committee will be on the alert for ways which the Supermarket can best serve the consumer. How much this Committee accomplishes will depend on how many people will join in to help. The work will be so organized as to permit committee members to do as little work as they choose."

The first meeting of the Price Checking Committee will be held at the residence of the chairman this Friday night at 8 p.m., at 10-B Southway. All volunteers are welcome to attend.

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## DOLLARS & SENSE

By Morris J. Solomon

### CORRECTION PLEASE

This column was in error last week when it reported that the GCS Repair Garage employed three trainees. This information was based upon interviews with two members of GCS management. It has been called to my attention that there are two trainees in the garage in addition to Paul. The writer regrets this error. The fact remains, however, that the GCS Repair Garage is a ONE MAN SHOW.

### GCS GARAGE - A ONE MAN SHOW (Continued from last week)

As I was saying last week, the big shortcoming of the GCS Garage is that prompt repair service is the exception rather than the rule. Here are the facts on the how and why the GCS Garage does not meet the needs of car owners.

1. After 6 in the evening (when the need is greatest) there is no mechanic on duty. If there is something the matter with your car after 6, the only help you can get is from the boys in the service station. They are very limited in what they can do.

2. If you manage to get your car down to the garage you will usually have to wait about a week, sometimes 2 weeks.

3. A lot of work is turned away because people don't want to wait or cannot wait the necessary time.

4. According to management the reason more work cannot be handled is that space is lacking.

5. Certain work such as work on generators, starters and windshield wiper motors is passed over by the installation of new or reconditioned units. It might be possible (a good mechanic with some specialized knowledge could tell by looking) to replace a part at a fraction of the cost of a new or reconditioned unit. I know of one instance where Paul didn't even bother to look at the starter. This field IS A PIONEER ONE since the industry has not been geared to serve the consumer in that manner. I have been told that it is difficult to obtain such parts since those who sell the parts are more interested in selling "reconditioned" units.

6. The small amount of repairs makes for greater average costs. With larger quarters and/or more business, better equipment could be installed and used. A better stock of parts could be kept. (Paul belittles this factor). The frequent trips for parts which are now necessary could serve equally well for a larger amount of business. Either that or the trips won't be as frequent.

### LACK OF SPACE AND MISUSE OF SPACE

Right near the present garage where the beer used to be sold there is garage space which has been put to other uses. Evidently these uses have a higher priority than the repair of cars. Let us assume that GCS has tried hard to get more space for the garage but couldn't succeed because of PHA policy. You would think that GCS would want to use its space to best advantage. Two or three mechanics and one helper could make

much better use of the available space than 1 mechanic and 2 trainees. I wonder what happens when Paul is sick, takes a day off, or speaks to a customer. Does work continue smoothly?

In addition there is a possibility of having a mechanic (and maybe a helper) on duty after six to take care of little jobs that come up. Surely in a community such as Greenbelt there are qualified mechanics who would be interested in a 6 to 10 or 7 to 10 stint. As a filler-in, the night shift could do jobs that were cut and dried such as installing new brake linings, installing a new clutch, tuning up an engine etc. Any necessary parts could be lined up for them by the day shift. A Sunday shift is another possibility. Naturally such operations require organization. In any case, with the available space, careful scheduling of jobs is necessary. It would be important not to schedule more than one "blind" job at any one time. Why should GCS be afraid of organization? The opportunity for service TO GREENBELT is there.

If the above measures were taken and still all the business couldn't be handled, it would be to the interests of consumers for the garage to give a low priority to large jobs such as engine overhaul. One doesn't mind taking his car to a non-Greenbelt garage once in 3 or 4 years for an engine overhaul if it means being able to get prompt service on 10 smaller jobs. Besides the risk of getting stung isn't anywhere as great with a large job as a small job. There is no reason why GCS couldn't refer large jobs to a neighboring garage who would guarantee their work.

### PRESENT POLICY OF GCS GARAGE - SKIMMING THE CREAM

The present policy of the GCS garage is one of catering to a small fraction of the total need in the community. It is not unlike the policy which private utilities are often accused of following, namely "skimming the cream".

The reason this policy is being followed is that in a past period when there were two mechanics the operation was bringing a loss. When GCS switched to a one mechanic basis the loss disappeared. Evidently Management is satisfied with the service they are offering now. But GCS members have no cause for satisfaction. It looks like management has hit on a method of operation that is comfortable and with few headaches and is all set to continue to operate that way.

### PROPER GOALS FOR GCS GARAGE OPERATION

It is not unreasonable to expect GCS to take measures to meet present needs of Greenbelt car owners on a prompt and continuing basis. With increased volume, it should be possible to offer a substantial purchase rebate on repair bills, based on "regular book prices". After all Co-ops have proclaimed that they can do better than profit seeking private enterprise. Tall talks calls for some tall doing.

Martin and Ourand, all young and unmarried (except Flynn) hold a 4-2 advantage over the Credit Union team, consisting of Alexander, G. Bauer, Frady, Galvin, Nuzo and Tompkins, all older and family men.

F. Bauer, captain of the Bums, is the son of G. Bauer, captain of the Credit Union, and F. Bauer and Alexander are neck and neck in a battle for the league average.

Both these teams will represent Greenbelt in the Washington Champions Tournament.

This should be an interesting and noisy match, with no admission charge.

## Bowling Championship At Stake Friday Night

A near schedule maker's dream will come true this Friday night at 7:30 p.m. on alleys 5 and 6, when with only one more night of bowling left, two teams with almost identical averages and tied for the Athletic Club Bowling League lead, meet in what should be the decision match for the league championship.

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## Fox Tales

By Sam Fox

**Swimming Registration:** All who wish to take swimming lessons this year please come to office and fill out application forms. You must register by June 1. If you already have blanks, please return them as soon as possible so we may make up the different classes.

**Drop-Inn Bowling Party:** Over 100 boys and girls attended the annual Bowling party for the second year to present trophies and different awards for the winning team and outstanding bowlers. Thanks to the parents in charge for doing an excellent job.

**Arthur Murray Class:** This is the last call for all who are interested in joining the Arthur Murray Dance class to be held here in Greenbelt. Please contact the Recreation office.

**Softball Is Here:** The nite softball league will start Tuesday night at 7:30 with Arcade-Pontiac, last year D. C. champs, and the Greenbelt League winners, Thrifty. The second game will be between Annadale and Nelson Studes. Games will continue every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday throughout the summer months. Thursday night games; Arcade Pontiac vs. Annadale and Mt. Rainier vs. United Mine Workers. LEAGUE STARTS MAY 8 at 7:30 P.M.

**Little League Baseball:** The Little League Field known as McDonald Field is now complete with fence, which will be painted this week. It will also have dug-outs and stands. Over the weekend Braden Field was deserted and McDonald Field was taken every hour on the hour. We hope all citizens will go to 7-D Southway and see the field, where your boys will be playing.

**New Playgrounds:** There will be two new playgrounds this year, one at 14 Hillside and the other at the end of Laurel Hill. Hillside will have slide, basketball, standard see-saws and softball field. End of Laurel Hill will have playground apparatus. Slide, see-saw and a swing.

**Drop-Inn Paper:** The new paper for the Drop-Inn is off the press and the boys and girls picked the name "THE RAMBLER." Lots of success for the new staff and the new name.

**Boys and Girls with Bicycles** please stay off the playing fields as you know you are doing harm to the fields ... walk down to the fields and leave bikes on or near sidewalk. KEEP BIKES OFF THE TENNIS COURTS.

Don't forget to register for swimming lessons before June 1. . . . To get in July classes you must register now, first in will get the classes they want.



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